

Clark House (House-on-Hill)  
945 Tournament Drive  
Hillsborough  
San Mateo County  
California

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE California	COUNTY San Mateo	TOWN OR VICINITY Hillsborough
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Clark House		HABS NO. CA-2126
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE House-on-Hill		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 945 Tournament Drive		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1930-31 (plans dated 1930)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) David A. Adler	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) This distinguished Cotswold-style mansion, beautifully situated in the hills, was one of David Adler's greatest works. Its lavishly appointed interior featured European furnishings including antique oak and pine paneling and parquet floors.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Cotswold Tudor		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Stone, structural system not known		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) H-plan, two-and-a-half stories on sloped site		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Brick in half-timbering on second level of one side, gable roof with three cross gables on one side, gable wall dormers on other side, massive stone chimneys, leaded-glass casement windows.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Imported Jacobean oak-paneled walls in reception hall, antique pine paneling in library, 18th c. Chinese wallpaper in dining room, 1710 Queen Anne oak paneled walls in sitting room, Art Deco ladies' cloak room with polished chrome walls and ceiling and ebony parquet floor. Decorated by		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Syrie Maugham. Few alterations, although original estate of over 200 acres has been reduced to 10 acres.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE Mrs. Drews, who acquired the house in 1972 from Mrs. Clark, has a complete set of original drawings.		
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